PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Johannes Anthonij JUIJN et al.

Application No.: Rule 53(b) Continuing Application of

U.S. Serial No. 09/740,056

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For: DIPPED CORD MADE OF MELT SPUN FILAMENT YARNS OF AN

ALTERNATING COPOLYMER AND A PROCESS FOR MANUFACTURING

SAID CORD

PRELIMINARY REMARKS

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This application is a Continuation under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) of Application No. 09/740,056. The April 10, 2002 Office Action in the parent application required restriction between:

Group II, claims 1-6 and 9-10, drawn to a dipped cord and rubber article; Group II, claims 7-8, drawn to a process for making a dipped cord; and Group III, claims 11-12, drawn to a tire.

In order to avoid unnecessary delay and expense to Applicants, should the Patent Office require a similar restriction in this Continuation application, Applicants hereby formally elect claims 7, 8 and 13, with traverse.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,

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